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# JURY ACQUITS POOLROOM MEN.

Sam Mount and F. L. Jones of Morische's Grove Discharged at Clayton.

"Not guilty" was the verdict of the jury in the Clayton Circuit Court last night in the poolroom cases of Sam Mount and F. L. Jones, who were on trial on a charge of violating the Breeders' bill.

Mount and Jones were arrested about a month ago in Morische's Grove at the time a poolroom was in operation at that place. The room was afterwards raided, and the paraphernalia therein, consisting of blackboards, telegraph instruments and literature, taken to Clayton, where it was

exhibited during the trial. The information charging the defendants with a violation of the Breeders' bill was with a Golation of the Breeders bill was filled by Prosecuting Attorney Rowland L. Johnston. There were three counts, but the trial was mainly on the first, as it was contended that the second and third were not specific enough to change an offense according to Judge Sherwood's decision in the Burke case.

In the first count it was alleged that bets were registered on a horse named Goo Goo and telegraphed to Latonia, a face track in Kentucky.

The case was bothy contested. In additance of the contest of the con

e track in Kentucky.

he case was hotly contested. In addito Prosecuting Attorney Johnston,
State was represented by Judge H.
Bond and William G. Schofield of St. W. Bond and William G. Schofield of St. Louis and Robert Shackleford of Clayton Judge Chester H. Krum of St. Louis conducted the defense, assisted by former Prosecuting Attorney F. A. Heidorn and State Senator B. L. Mathews of Clayton. The greater part of the time yesterday was devoted to examining witnesses for the defense, the purport of which was to show that the offense, if committed, was committed by persons other than the defendants. A night session was held last right for the arguments to the jury.

The jury was out only a few minutes when a verdict of not guilty was returned. The poolroom has been closed since the raid.

# CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY.

Home Building Company President Arrested at Muscogec.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Muscogee, I. T., Dec. S.-J. F. Scales, president of the Home Co-operative Building and Loan Company, was arrested tonight on the charge of being a fugitive from justice. Scales was indicted at Ardmore a few days age with W. H. Pyle and D. B. Rose, who claimed to be Pyle and D. B. Rose, who claimed to be agents for the same company. Rose and Pyle were arrested at Paul's Valley. The indictment against Scales charges conspiracy and obtaining money under false pretenses. The information was sworn out by O. N. Valentine of Ardmore. Scales came to Muscoges seven menths ago and advertised this company. He has lad agents all over the Territory since. His plan was to charge \$15 membership fee, which was to form a fund from which

# TWICE WON.

Wife Fell in Love With Husband

The wife of a well-known attorney at law of Seward, Neb., tells the tale worth reading: "My husband was a soldier in the Civil War and was, as he called himself, 'an old coffee cooler' and had always drunk very strong coffee.

"About a year ago he complained of a feeling of faintness every time after climbing his office stairs and was also troubled by terrible headaches that almost drove him wild.

"He gradually grew weaker and weaker until his affliction culminated in nervous collapse and for weeks he seemed to be fading away from us in spite of all our efforts.

"The physicians pronounced him strong and well with no organic trouble

collapse and for weeks he seemed to be fading away from us in spite of all our efforts.

"The physicians pronounced him strong and well with no organic trouble whatever and there seemed to be nothing the matter except the complete giving out of his nervous system.

1 "The doctors decided that coffee was at the bottom of all his trouble and ordered Postum Cereal in its place. He improved daily since he quit coffee and began drinking Postum and now says he feels better than he has felt for twenty years, headaches are gone, no more fainting spelis and is gaining in flesh every day and he seems so much younger and heartier and happier than he has for years that I have fallen in love with him over again.

"Now for my brother's case; a few years ago he had a peculiar trouble. His tongue was swollen and sore at the roots and covered underneath with festers.

"He thought his affliction was of a cancerous nature, and his doctor was of the same opinion. He could scarcely eat anything and became so poor and run down he was simply a nervous wreck. He consulted various physicians, but none were able to diagnose his case or help him in the least.

"At tast a doctor to whom he applied said he believed my brother was coffee and drink Postum. He gave him no medicine, but told him to give Postum fair trial and return to him in six weeks. My brother had used Postum only about ten days when the festers disappeared from his tongue and at the end of two weeks the soreness and swelling were gune and he began to pick up in flesh and spirits.

"He has never touched coffee since, but drinks Postum all the time and has never had the slightest return of the trouble.

To look at my experience is it any feet of the package for a copy of the famous little book. The Road to Well-ville."

the company would loan money to members to build homes at 4 per cent. Scales will be taken to Ardmore. He says Pyle and Rose were not authorized to use his company's name, and were using Home Co-operative literature without permission.

## MISSES FAMILIAR THEME IN PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

sence of "Protection and Prosper-ity" Talk From Roosevelt.

Derlin, Dec. 8. - President Roosevelt's message to Congress is treated as the principal news to-day. It reached the morning papers too late for comment, but it fills up the leading pages of most of the

evening newspapers.

Some contrast is made between the United States' surplus and Germany's

United States' surplus and Germany's sixty millions of deficit. One paper likeus the business tone of the message to Andrew Carnegie's "Empire of Business." Another paper says it misses a familiar theme usually found in presidential messages, and that is protection and prosperity.

The conservative, semiofficial Post says: "Taken as a whole, the message produces an excellent impression. Germany certainly has no reason to protest against a strong America, but sees in her a welcome factor in the policies of the world. Imperialism has no alms which condict with ours, and, while petty jealousies and misunderstandings in industrial and commercial matters are possible, it is certain that serious differences are impossible."

## MR. AND MRS. W. H. LEAVITT DEPART FOR EASTERN HOME.

Bryan's Daughter and Artist Hushand Leave Humansville, It Is Said, Owing to Story of Alleged Congressional Aspirations.

According to advices received from Humansville, Mo., yesterday, William Homer Leavitt, the artist, and his bride, who was Miss Ruth Bryan, have left the home of Thomas J. Akins and have started for the home of Mr. Leavitt's mother at New-

It is understood that Mr. and Mrs. Leavitt will remain in St. Louis for a day or two and while here will be at the Plant-

two and while here will be at the Planters.

The sudden determination of the Leavitts to leave Humansville, it is said, is the upshot of the story published relative to Leavitt's alleged candidacy for Congress in the Humansville district.

It is declared that the alleged candidacy was a joke, but that some of the friends of Mr. Akins, who is chairman of the Rerublican State Central Committee, did not think so, and Mr. Akins was called upon to answer a great many questions from his Republican friends.

## FOUND FROZEN TO DEATH. Louisville Man Had Been Evicted

for Failing to Pay Rent.

ing, a laborer, who was evicted with his wife and seven children from their home yesterday for failure to pay the rent. was found frozen to death to-day in a lumber vard. His family spent the night at a neigh-

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on or address City Ticket Agent, 8. E.
Corner Sixth and Olive streets.

Boy Stabbed During Quarrel. Henry Ungar, 13 years old, son of Carl Ungar, formerly Assistant City Counselor, was stabbed by Valentine Krenzer, a comwas stabled by Valentine Krenger, a companion, at 7 o'clock last evening. The boys fought after leaving the Concordia Turner Hall, at Thirteenth and Arsenal streets, and young Ungar, it is said, was getting the better of the fistic encounter, when Krenger drew a small pocketknife.

Krenger was arrested at his home, No. 214 Allen avenue, and was held prisoner for an hour in the Second District Police Station. On Mr. Ungar's refusal to prosecute him, Krenger was released. Ungar's wound is not serious.

Woman Tries to End Life.

Mrs. Anna D'ester, 25 years old, attempt bolle acid at her home, No. 2723 North Broadway, at 8:20 last night. Mrs. Diesier has been separated from her husband. Charles, for a year, and it is believed that domestic unhappiness prompted her attempt to end her life. At the City Hospital physicians pronounced her condition gerfour.

Don't Look Old Before your time. Bring back the freshness of youth to your complexion. Laxative Boro Pepein will do it. Cleanass the entire system. All Druggists, 25 cts. per bottle.

Rena Russ is Missing.

The police have been requested to find Rena Russ. If years old, who has been missing from her home, No. 722 O'Fallon street, since Monday morning, when abe started for work in a candy factory, at Seventh and Market streets.

I. T.

Rural Free Delivery.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Washington, Dec. 8.—Rural free delivery service has been established in Missouri, to commence January II, as follows:

Epworth, Shelby County, Route No. 1.

# SHAW DECLARES CRISIS IS PAST.

Secretary of Treasury Says in Report to Congress There Is No Cause for Alarm.

## WANTS AN ELASTIC CURRENCY

Recommends Rearrangement of Customs Districts and Reduction of the Work to a Businesslike Basis.

The Republic Bureau, 16th St. and Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, Dec. 8.-In spite of the evere tests to which the country's currency system has been subjected in the last fiscal year, the crisis is now past and no occasion for alarm exists, according to the views of Secretary Shaw as expressed in his annual report to Congress, made public to-day.

At the same time, the need of remedying the non-elastic nature of the currency system is strongly emphasized. This remedy, it is held, ghould be so conservative as in no way to impair stability.

Secretary Shaw estimates that the Government will have a surplus of \$14,000,000 for the current fiscal year, but a deficit of \$23,000,000 for the fiscal year of 1905. The total estimated revenues for the fiscal now current are \$674,767,664, and the otal estimated expenditures \$660,767,664. It is explained that upon the basis of existing laws the estimated revenues of the Government for the fiscal year 1905 will be \$704.472.060. The total estimated appropriations, exclusive of sinking fund, for that fiscal year, are \$72,474.306. One of the items in the miscellaneous list for the fiscal year 1905 is \$13,017,581 for the Listrict of Columbia.

GOVERNMENT RECEIPTS. from all sources for the fiscal year ended une 30, 1933, were \$694,621,117, and the ex-

from all sources for the fiscal year ended une 30, 1833, were \$894,621,117, and the expenditures for the same period were \$840, 322,459, showing a surplus of \$34,257,657. Compared with the fiscal year 1902, the receipts for 1803 increased \$10,294,837, but there was an increase of \$10,294,837, but there was an increase of \$16,294,837, but there was an increase of the 1902, and \$16,394,346 for the naval establishment. Salaries and expenses of the District of Columbia decreased \$779,704.

Rearrangement of the customs districts is strongly urged. He presents a table showing that in forty-five districts of the country it costs more than \$1 to collect \$1, and he says legislation to put all customs districts on a business basis is imperative. If no legislation is enacted, he says, then the Secretary should have the authority to rearrange the districts.

At Galena, Ill., the report shows it costs \$500.07 to collect a single dollar. The actual receipts of the Galena office for the fiscal year were 70 cents, and the expenses of the office were \$378.05.

The Secretary especially urges the correction of a deplorable state of affairs in the Puget Sound district. He says there is not a single business reason why Port Townsend should be continued as a port of entry for so great a customs district as that of Puget Sound, and he recommends legislation authorizing the removal of the records to Seattle and making that city the port of entry, leaving the necessary force at Seattle to do the work of a sub-port.

RECOMMENDATIONS. recommendations as follows:

a mitable building thereon, and have a respectable balance left to convey into the Treasury.

The tax on national-bank circulation, based upon bonds hereafter issued, should be fixed at one-half of 1 per cent per annum.

Many customs districts should be abolished and others consolidated.

No little criticism of the customs service has arisen from ficilitious and exorbitant charges, as well as other acts of misconduct of those engaged in representing importers before the department. Some of the worst frauds upon the revenues of the Government have been accomplished through the same agencies. The arguments which have led all States to place limitations upon those who seek to practice law or medicine will apply with equal force in support of the recommendation that customs brokers be required to register with the department, and pay therefor a nominal fecsuch registration to be subject to cancellation for cause by the Secretary of the Treasury. The installation of a comprehensive pneumatic-tube system between the Treasury Department and its widely scattered branches and bureaus, and the several flepartments whose accounts are audited in the Treasury Department, would be a very profitable investment. Agreesibly to an act of Congress approved March 3. 1903, title to aquare 143, in the city of Washington, will very soon be perfected as a site for a hall of records. Many of the construction of such a building. In addition, this department has several rened buildings filled to overflowing. Other rened buildings filled to overflowing. Celeir from this condition is urgently needecommend the construction of surest for boarding and wrife convertion to be sured for hongling and wrife converts.

equally congessed. Relief from this condition is urgently needed.

I earnestly recommend the construction of several very fast revenue cutters, small enough to overtake and arrest amugging vessels now engaged in transferring goods from tramp ships at anchor to private docks. Such vessels are much needed in the Puget Sound district and at some points on the Great Lakes.

Appropriations for accret-service work should be liberally increased.

FORMAL TRANSFER OF TERRITORY Stars and Stripes to Be Holsted Over

Gunntanamo Station Thursday. Washington, Dec. 8.-Rear Admiral Barker, commanding the battleship squadron of the North Atlantic fleet, notified the Navy Department to-day of the arrival suchusetts and Scorpion at Guantanamo for the purpose of establishing the sovereignty of the United States over the land ceded by Cuba for purposes of a naval station. The formal transfer of the territory will be made on the 10th inst., and will be marked by ceremonies of the simplest kind. of the Kearsarge, Alabama, Illinois, Mas-

MAY RECOMMEND IMPROVEMENTS War Department Board Wants Missicalppi River Work Continued. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Washington, Dec. &-The War Department board in charge of improvements of the Mississippi, it is said, will recommen to Congress \$5,000,000 for continuous work upon the deepening of the Mississippi River from St. Louis to Cairo. /
This project is of great importance to St. Louis and the Southwest, and if the recommendation is indorsed by the Secretary of War, it is expected that Congress will make the appropriation in the next river and harbor bill.

National Bank Affairs.

Washington, Dec. 8.-The Comptroller of the Currency to-day approved an applicathe Currency to-day approved an application to organize the First National Bank
of Thomas, Ok., with a capital of 255,000.

A certificate was issued authorizing the
Citizens' National Bank of Blooming
Grove, Tex., to begin business with a capital of 255,000. M. G. Young, president;
R. S. Loyd, cashler.

The corporate existence of the First National Bank of Bonham, Tex., was extended until the close of business December 8, 1922.

The designation of the following banks
as reserve agents was approved:

Mechanics' National Bank, New Orleans,
and the Farmers' National Bank, Van
Alistyne, Tex.

City National Bank, Dallas, for the

City National Bank, Dallas, for the Wolfe City National Bank, Wolfe City, Tex. City National Bank, Kansas City, for the American National Bank, Tishomingo, I. T.

# CHARLES GREATHOUSE SEEKS NOMINATION FOR CONGRESS.

CHARLES A. GREATHOUSE.
who seeks Democratic nomination for Congress from the
First Indiana District.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 8.-Charles A. Greathouse, an attorney of Mount Vernon, is the latest candidate for the Democratic nomination for Congress from the First In-diana District. He is now with his bride in Europe, where he will remain until early spring. It is said he has intimated to his friends that he will accept the no if it is tendered him.

Mr. Greathouse was his party's nominee for Superintendent of Public Instruction of Indiana in 1900 and ran ahead of his ticket. He is one of the best-known young Democrats in the district and stands close to Major G. V. Menzies, who probably will be a candidate for United States Senator next year.

Recently Mr. Greathouse was married to Miss Mary Ribryer of New Harmony, Ind.

Length of route 20% miles. Population served, Leonard, Shelby County, Route No. 1. Length of route, 26% miles. Population served, 42. Rural carriers have been appointed as fol-Rural carriers have been appointed as follows:

Missouri-Beaman, L. M. Miller, carrier:
John Black, substitute. Jefferson City, R. E.
Carry, carrier: Jacob Schulte, substitute.
Kingsville-G. C. Zion, carrier: W. H. Zion,
substitute.

Illinois-Eamond, L. H. Schumaker, Jr., carrier; Frank Schumaker, substitute. Ray, Wililam T. O'Donneil and G. E. Day, carriers;
Everet Jones, substitute. Divernon, Edwin
Jessup, carrier; John Jessup, substitute. Sutter, G. E. Doughty, carrier; James Jenkins,
substitute. Woodhull, S. F. Sturgeon, carrier;
M. Sturgeon, substitute. Champaign, S. M.
Beatty, carrier: Arthur Taylor, substitute.
Texas—Yoakum, J. A. Weatherly, carrier;
Lesier R. Schrimsher, substitute. Fort Worth,
J. W. Pugh, carrier; G. I. Pigh, substitute.
Forney, H. B. Fowler, carrier; Jos Ward, substitute.

SHAWS ESTIMATE FOR HAWAII. Recommends Appropriation of \$250,-

Washington, Dec. 8 .- Secretary Shaw transmitted to the House to-day estimates The mint at New Orleans is both inconvenient and expensive. It should, in my judgment, be reduced to an assay office.

The assay office at New York is inconvenient in construction, inadequate in size, unfortunately located, and should be sold and a new one built. Fortunately, the present site can be sold for enough to buy one more eligible, erect a suitable building thereon, and have a respectable balance left to convey into the Treasury.

of appropriations for Hawaii, 187,000 for new lighthouses, \$30,000 for lighthouse service, \$250,000 for dredging Honolulu channel and harbor, \$25,000 for the maintenance of buoys, \$10,000 for a breakwater at Hilo, \$30,000 for a Federal building at Honolulu and \$50,000 for removing obstructions in Pearl Harbor, bor. Governor Carter recommends that his salary should be increased from \$5,000 to \$7,500, giving the additional expense of living in Hawaii as the reason.

Bartholdt Files Petitions.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Washington, Dec. 2.—Representative Bartholdt
of St. Louis to-day introduced the following

petitions:

From the National Executive Committee of
the German-American Alliance: Against the
Hepburn bill, which would probable the
importation of liquors into publishing States.

From the Harry F. Harding G. A.R. Post
of St. Louis: For the re-establishment of the From the Labor Protective Union of St. Louis: Favoring the Government eight-hour bill.

From Meyer Bros. Truck Company: For a more liberal drawback system.
From the Business Men's League: For consular reform farmers of St. Louis County: For levee protection along the Missouri River.

Army Orders.

Folk's Brothers in Washington. Washington, Dec. 8.-D. R. Folk and

visiting friends in Washington. They are brothers of Circuit Attorney Folk of St. Louis. To-day they called on members of the Temessee and Missouri delegations. Railway Mail Clerks. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Washington, Dec. 8.—Clarence A. Wood of Independence, Kas., and F. R. Stiles of Shawnee. Ok., have been appointed rail-way mail clerks.

Open till 7 this evening. Mermod & Jaccard's, Broadway & Locust.

COOK DISCUSSES FINANCES. Delivers Address at Bankers' As-

sociation Meeting in Clinton. Clinton, Mo., Dec. 8 .- Group 9 of the Missouri Bankers' Association held a meeting here to-day. A banquet was served and banking topics discussed. A

aper was read by W. F. Maring of Schell City on the "Business Outlook." Sam B. Cook delivered an address earnestly urging against establishment in large cities of private banks with less capital than is required of incorporated banks. He spoke highly of the general prosperous condition of Missouri banks, and cited as évidence there had been but three bank failures in two years, with a loss to depositors of only \$4,000.

New Service to Cape Girardeau And Southeast Missouri points, Leave St. Louis 5:56 a. m., arrive Cape Girardeau 5:39 p. m., Cotton Belt Route. 909 Olive street, and Union Station.

Escape in Their Night Clothes. Evansville, Inc., Dec. 8.-Fire early this morning destroyed the country home of Jesse T. Hubbard, near Newburg, Ind. The family escaped clad in their night clothes. The fire is supposed to have been started by tramps, who were not permitted to sleep in the stable. Loss, \$5,000.

Killed With a Hatchet. years old, and David Gates, aged 50, quarreled near Gentryville. Spencer County, to-day, and Seals struck Gates on the head with a hatchet, killing him instantly, The officials are looking for Seals.

# JOIN OFFICES IN MANY CITIES.

Frisco and Rock Island Systems Consolidate Agencies at Points Off Their Lines.

As a result of conferences between officials of the Rock Island and Frisco systems as regards establishing joint offices at points off the lines of the sysems, the following changes will become New York-F. D. Russell, general East-

ern agent of the Frisco, and A. H. Moffett, general Eastern agent of the Rock Island, to act jointly for the Rock Island-Frisco. Boston, Buffalo and Philadelphia-Com

mercial agents of the Rock Island at each point to represent the Rock Island-Frisco Atlanta-T. C. Tipton, commercial agent of the Rock Island, to act jointly for the Rock Island-Frisco. C. F. Austin, agent for Frisco, transferred to Jacksonville

Fla., as joint agent for the Rock Island-New Orleans-C. L. Eggleston, commercial agent Rock Island, transferred to Richmond, Va., as joint agent for Rock

Island-Frisco. I. T. Preston, commercial agent of the Frisco, to act jointly in New Orleans for

I. T. Preston, commercial agent of the Frisco, to act jointly in New Orleans for Rock Island-Frisco.

Louisville, Ky.—G. L. Elkin, commercial agent Rock Island, to act jointly for Rock Island-Frisco.

Pittsburg—G. H. Maloney, general agent Rock Island, to act jointly for Rock Island-Frisco.

Pittsburg—G. H. Maloney, general agent Rock Island, to act jointly as commercial agent for Rock Island-Frisco. P. A. Aner, district passenger agent Rock Island, to act jointly for Rock Island-Frisco.

Cincinnati—O. M. Ellsworth, commercial agent Rock Island, to act jointly for Rock Island-Frisco.

Cincinnati—O. M. Ellsworth, commercial agent Rock Island, to act jointly for Rock Island-Frisco, to be traveling freight agent for both companies. H. I. Maguire, passenger agent Frisco, to act jointly for Rock Island-Frisco offices to be closed, the traveling freight and passenger agents at Kansas City to look after the business.

Pacific Const—F. W. Thompson, general Western agent Rock Island, with office in San Francisco, to act jointly for Rock Island-Frisco. The Frisco offices at Los Angeles and San Francisco to be closed and H. E. Needlam, commercial agent, to be transferred to Rock Island offices at Portland, Seattle and Spokane to be jointly representative of the Rock Island-Frisco.

Mexico—C. B. Cleveland, general agent Rock Island at Mexico City, to act jointly for Rock Island-Frisco. Alex. More, general agent Frisco, transferred to Dallas, Tex., as district passenger agont.

There will be no changes at any point in Texas.

A. A. PETERSON RESIGNS. Will Edit "Wit and Hamor," for Which Mark Twain Will Write.

A. A. Peterson, advertising manager of the Mobile and Ohio, has resigned in order that he may devote his entire attention to the publication of a humorous magazine

entitled. Wit and Humor.

Mr. Peterson won a high place among the advertising experts, and it is believed that his new enterprise will be a success, especially as he has engaged Mark Twain and others of his lik to write for his publication. Changes in Frisco Stations. A Frisco circular announces the follow-

ing changes in names of stations, effective at once: Mosher, Ark. (Memphis District, South-

Mosher, Ark. (Memphis District, Southern Division, mile 436.6) will be known as Truman.

Bells, Miss. (Tupelo District, K. C., M. & B. R. R., mile 582.1) will be known as Belden.

Goss's Mines, Ala. (Birmingham District, K. C., M. & B. R. R., mile 689) will be known as Weldon Mines.

Spring Park, Mo. (Rolla District, Eastern Division, mile 12.7) will be known as South Kirkwood. South Kirkwood.

C., O. & G. crossing (Enid District, Western Division, mile 623.5) will be known as Darrow.

Mitchell, I. T. (Arkinda District, Central Division, mile 602.3) will be known as Idabel.

Merger Case Up Again. Washington, Dec. 8.—Briefs in behalf of he Northern Securities Company and the Northern Pacific Railway Company in the Northern Pacific Railway Company in the case of the United States versus those two companies and the Great Northern Company were filed in the Supreme Court today. The brief of the Securities Company is by George B. Young and that of the Northern Pacific by C. W. Bunn. Mr. Young's brief is a document of over 300 pages and in it he traces minutely the origin of the merger.

Christmas Tree Meeting. Invitations have been issued by the St. "Christmas tree" meeting, to be held at the Missouri Athletic Club Priday even-ing, December II, at which S. D. Webster,

# Basement Bargains For To-Day Only.

## Dinner Sets-

Here is unquestionably the greatest bargain in Dinner Sets we have ever offered.

Haviland China Dinner Sets, each set containing 100 pieces; a complete service for twelve people. Your choice of six decorations.

A large New York importing jobber was overstocked on these. We bought 200 sets at a big discount and offer these sets, the same a we sell regularly as a bargain at \$25.00.

For Wednesday Only at \$19.90 Think of this price for a hight-grade Haviland China Dinner Set,

# Silverware-

Highest grade Quadruple Silver-Plated Shaving Sets, including mug and brush, in lined leatherette cases; these special bargains at Fer Set

\$1.98, \$2.75 and \$2.98

Tobacco and Cigar Jars, fine imitation of cut glass jars, with quadruple silver plated covers: Quadruple Silver-Plated Hair Receivers: 49c and 98c special at......Each 49c

Children's Cups, quadruple plated, at 49c, 75c, 98c and \$1.25

Smoking sets, quadruple plate, 4 pieces in each set, including tray, \$2.50,\$2.90,\$3.50,\$3.95 \$5.00 Quadruple Plate Lamp-Post Cigar-Lighter \$1.98

# Pictures—

Brass Etched Toast Placques, with black oak frames. The toasts are etched into the brass placques and each toast flustrated. They are the great fad of the day. Our price.....98c

The new game, Pit; The regular 25c game of Loto that we have been running 

# Toys-

300 of our regular 50c Magic Lanterns, including 24 pictures, on sale Wednesday at..... 300 regular 25c Iron Trains, two cars, engine and tender, nicely enameled in bright colors; special at...... 8c Bissell's Little Dalsy Carpet Sweepers, a perfect miniature 8c Carpet Sweeper, each..... A large variety of regular 50c Mechanical Toys reduced to, each..... Genuine Daisy Air Rifles, nickle-plated; a regular \$1.00

# Desks-

About 100 Children's Desks, assorted styles, roll-top and cabinets; regular price \$1.50 and \$1.75, on sale Wednesday, at, each

general claim agent of the Terminal Association, will present a paper on "St. Louis Terminals; Retrospective and Suggestive."

# RUSSIANS KILL 200 ROBBERS. As Many More Wounded in Fight

at Liau River. St. Petersburg, Dec. 8.-The Russian troops have defeated a band of Chun-Chuses (Chinese robbers) on the Liau

River, Manchuria, killing 200 of them and ing a similar number. After the conflict reported November 2 between a force of Russian soldiers and a body of Chun-Chuses at Tachichao, in which five Russians were killed and nine

were severely wounded, the Russians pur-sued the fleeing tribesmen and finally hemmed them in at the Liau River. The great loss of the robbers is attributed in a Port Arthur dispatch to "a

## panic among the Chun-Chuses.' VIRGINIA'S ALUMNI MEET.

Sons of Old University to Erect Memorial to Jefferson. The members of the University of Virversity Club last night, there being present Judge S. Barciay, president of the association; Doctor R. C. Atkinson, Thomas J. Fauntleroy, Thomas H. Skinker, Robert H. Kern. W. S. Hancock, Colonel George McGrew, Doctor Henry Mudd and

Henry T. Kent. Mr. Skinker, who has recently returne? from the university, announced that their alma mater had appropriated \$5,000, which will be used to represent the university in the educational building at the Fair. The question of erecting a permanent

### EGGERT & FISHER, 317 N. 7th Street. Between Olive and Locust, Mer-

cantile Club Building.

memorial to Thomas Jefferson at the Fair site was fully discussed and arrangements will be made for such a memorial.

The association decided to attend the banquet to be given by the alumni associations of Yale and Cornell in token of the Virginia alumni's victory in the recent athletic contests.

Arrangements were made to entertain Professors Stone and Tuttle on their visit here to attend the meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Science this month.

George Boardman Clark Dend. George Bordman Clark Dead.

George Bordman Clark, 70 years old, formerly a resident of Jefferson City, Mo., died yesterday at the Evangelical Deaconness Home, after a long illness. He was taken to the hospital five weeks ago. The body will be taken to Jefferson City for burial.

# Ayer's

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